

**Chambers of District Judge Robert E. Blackburn** *continued*

**Judicial:** Municipal Judge (1985-1988); Judge, Colorado District Court, Sixteenth Judicial District (1988-2002)

**Legal Practice:** Law Clerk, Oakley Wade Law Office (1975); Partner, Wade & Blackburn (1975-1980); Private Practice (1980-1988)

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**Richard P. Matsch**

Senior Judge

Date of Birth: 1930

Education: Michigan 1951 AB, 1953 JD

Began Service: 1974

Appointed By: President Richard M. Nixon

**Government:** Assistant United States Attorney, District of Colorado, United States Department of Justice (1959-1961); Deputy City Attorney, Law Department, City and County of Denver, Colorado (1961-1963)

**Judicial:** Bankruptcy Judge, United States District Court for the District of Colorado (1965-1974)

**Legal Practice:** Private Practice (1956-1959); Private Practice (1963-1965)

**Military Service:** United States Army (1953-1955)

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**John Lawrence Kane**

Senior Judge

Date of Birth: 1937

Education: Colorado 1958 BA; Denver 1960 JD, 1997 LLD

Began Service: 1977

Appointed By: President Jimmy Carter

**Academic:** Instructor, Metropolitan State College of Denver (1975); Adjunct Professor, University of Denver (1976); Guest Lecturer, Trinity College Dublin (1989); Distinguished Visiting Professor, University of Denver (1994)

**Clerkships:** Law Clerk, Colorado District Court, Seventeenth Judicial District

**Government:** Deputy District Attorney, State of Colorado (1961-1962); Public Defender, Adams County, State of Colorado (1964-1967); Deputy Director, Eastern Region of India, Peace Corps (1967-1969)

**Legal Practice:** Gaunt, Byrne & Dirrim (1961-1962); Partner, Andrews & Kane (1963-1964); Partner, Holme Roberts & Owen LLP (1970-1977)

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**Zita L. Weinshienk**

Senior Judge

Date of Birth: 1933

Education: Arizona 1955 BA; Harvard 1958 JD

Began Service: October 10, 1979

Appointed By: President Jimmy Carter

Political Affiliation: Democrat

**Judicial:** Probation Counselor, Legal Advisor and Referee, Denver Juvenile Court (1959-1964); Judge, Denver Municipal Court (1964-1965); Judge, Denver County Court (1965-1971); Judge, Denver District Court (1972-1979)

**Current Memberships:** American Bar Association; American Bar Foundation, American Bar Association; Colorado Bar Association; Colorado Bar Foundation, Colorado Bar Association; Denver League of Women Voters; Federal Judges Association; Harvard Law School Association; United States District Judges Association of the Tenth Circuit; Women's Forum of Colorado

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**Lewis Thornton Babcock**

Senior Judge

Date of Birth: 1943

Education: Denver 1965 BA, 1968 JD; Virginia 1988 LLM; Denver 2004 LLD

Began Service: November 21, 1988

Appointed By: President Ronald Reagan

**Government:** City Attorney, Office of the City Attorney, City of Las Animas, Colorado (1969-1974); City Attorney, Office of the City Attorney, City of Rocky Ford, Colorado (1970-1976); Assistant District Attorney, 16th Judicial Circuit, State of Colorado (1973-1976); Escrow and Loan Closing Agent, Farmers Home Administration, United States Department of Agriculture (1973-1976)

**Judicial:** Judge, Colorado District Court, 16th Judicial Circuit (1976-1983); Judge, Colorado Court of Appeals (1983-1988); District Judge, United States District Court for the District of Colorado (1988-2000); Chief Judge, United States District Court for the District of Colorado (2000-2007)

**Legal Practice:** Mitchell & Babcock (1968-1976); Member of the Board of Directors, Colorado Rural Legal Services Inc. (1974-1976)

**Military Service:** Colorado National Guard (1968-1974)

**Current Memberships:** American Bar Association; The James E. Doyle American Inn of Court, The American Inns of Court; American Judicature Society; Colorado Bar Association; Colorado Bar Foundation, Colorado Bar Association; Denver Bar Association

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**Michael J. Watanabe**

Magistrate Judge

Began Service: February 12, 1999

Term Expires: February 2015

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**Boyd N. Boland**

Magistrate Judge

Date of Birth: 1954

Education: Columbia 1980 JD

Began Service: February 2000

Term Expires: February 2016

**Academic:** Assistant Professor, School of Law, Mississippi College (1984-1985)

**Clerkships:** Law Clerk The Honorable Paul V. Hodges, Colorado Supreme Court (1980-1981)

**Legal Practice:** Holme Roberts & Owen, LLP (1981-1984); Holme Roberts & Owen, LLP (1985-2000)

**Current Memberships:** American Intellectual Property Law Association; The American Law Institute

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**Craig B. Shaffer**

Magistrate Judge

Date of Birth: 1954

Education: Tulane 1979 JD

Began Service: January 18, 2001

Term Expires: January 18, 2009

**Government:** United States Department of Justice (1983-1991)

**Legal Practice:** Dufford & Brown, P.C. (1991-1999); Giles, O'Keefe, Vermeire & Gorrel, LLP (2000-2001)

**Military Service:** United States Navy JAG Corps (1979-1983)

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**Michael E. Hegarty**

Magistrate Judge

**Government:** Deputy Chief, Civil Division, Department of Justice; Chief, Civil Division, Colorado District, United States Department of Justice

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**Kristen L. Mix**

Magistrate Judge

Began Service: August 2007

Term Expires: August 2015

**Staff**

Law Clerk **Jill Beaird** ..... (303) 844-3433

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Law Clerk **Katie Bostwick** ..... (303) 844-3343

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